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Below is a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application. COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS.

ADVISORY ACTION

THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE CONTINUES TO RUN THREE MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THE FINAL REJECTION.

Any extension of time must be obtained by filing a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), the proposed response and the appropriate fee. The date on which the response, the petition, and the fee have been filed is the date of the response and also the date for the proposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. Any extension fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 will be calculated from the date that the shortened statutory period for response expires as set forth above.

Applicants' response to the final rejection, filed March 26, 1999 has been considered with the following effect, but is not deemed to place the application in condition for allowance:

1. Upon the filing of an appeal, the proposed amendment will be entered and the status of the claims in this application would be as follows:

Allowed claims

: NONE

Claims objected to : NONE

Claims withdrawn : 19, 20, 28-32 and 36-42

Claims rejected

: 8, 13-14, 16-18, 21-26 and 33-35

Claims canceled

: 15 and 27.

- 2. The request for reconsideration has been considered but does not overcome the rejections of claims 8, 13-14, 16-18, 21-26 and 33-35 for reasons of record.
- Applicants' comments regarding the withdrawal of claims 19 and 20 are noted. It is considered that the claims properly stand withdrawn for reasons of record.

MShippen April 5, 1999

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